

UAN Travel Award

The purpose of the **UAN Travel Award** is to support the attendance of UAN students at the ASBMB Annual Meeting. Each UAN Travel Award is worth \$500.

UAN Travel Award Eligibility Requirements

1. All travel awards must be used to support an undergraduate student to attend the ASBMB Annual Meeting and present his/her research.
2. All travel award recipients must submit his/her poster abstract to an ASBMB TOPIC CATEGORY by the annual abstract submission deadline. LATE BREAKING ABSTRACTS ARE NOT ELIGIBLE. For the 2015 meeting, abstracts are due early November, 2014. Check the ASBMB Annual Meeting website for exact date. Absolutely no exceptions are made.
3. Only the FIRST AUTHOR of a submitted abstract is eligible to receive the travel award and to present during the mandatory undergraduate poster competition (see #4).
4. All travel award recipients must participate in the annual ASBMB Undergraduate Student Research Poster Competition in addition to his/her regularly scheduled presentation during the meeting. The 2015 Poster Competition is scheduled for March 28, 2015 from noon to 4:30 PM.

Types of Travel Award

There are two types of UAN Travel Awards:

1. UAN non-competitive travel award
2. UAN regional meeting travel award

Non-competitive travel award

- To be awarded at the discretion of the UAN chapter faculty advisor.
- A chapter receives ONE travel award if it has 5 or more members. Chapters with 20 or more members receive TWO travel awards.
- Recipient must be a member of the UAN chapter.
- All eligibility requirements stated under “UAN Travel Award Eligibility Requirements” also apply.

Regional meeting travel award

- To be awarded by a UAN chapter that organizes and hosts a local or regional undergraduate symposium.
- At each symposium, a UAN chapter may award up to 4 travel awards.
- Each region of the UAN (refer to UAN map) may host/organize one undergraduate student research symposia per year for a total of 4 regional meeting travel awards.
- Must notify the ASBMB office and/or UAN regional director prior to hosting the symposium and after the awards are given out.
- Awarded based on the quality of the student's research and presentation.
- Recipients do not have to be a member of any UAN chapter.
- All eligibility requirements stated under "UAN Travel Award Eligibility Requirements" also apply.

Selection Criteria

Students are selected to receive travel awards in the following two ways:

1. Travel awards may be given to outstanding students who participate in regional UAN meetings. Each UAN region may apply for one ASBMB funded regional meeting per year. At each regional meeting, up to four UAN travel awards may be given to outstanding students based on their research.
2. Travel awards recipients may also be designated by UAN faculty advisors based on a student's research and academic achievement. In these cases, travel awards are given based on the number of student members in each chapter. Only chapters with ≥ 5 students qualify for travel awards. Chapters with between 5 and 19 student members receive 1 award per year, while chapters with greater ≥ 20 student members qualify for 2 travel awards. These students' names must be submitted by the deadline date posted each year. (Visit the ASBMB annual meeting or UAN websites for information.)

Student Responsibilities

- Travel award recipients are required to attend the ASBMB Annual Meeting and to present their research during both the general session AND the Undergraduate Poster Competition.
- **Students must successfully submit first author abstracts of their research to an ASBMB topic category by the annual abstract submission deadline.**

- All travel awards are given on reimbursement basis. Failure to attend the meeting will disqualify a student from receiving the travel award.